

Colonel away from Armageddon and before a senatorial committee of investigation.—Ledger-Dispatch.

cord of any man escaping the former in recent centuries, quite a few have been passing the latter down in Richmond if newspaper reports from the State capital are not inaccurate.—Lynchburg News.

Nat Goodwin's ex-wives should hold a convention and adopt resolutions of sympathy for him in his recent injuries.—Alexandria News.

Congress is willing to allow the building of one battleship, and there should be a shortage in the crew undoubtedly the members of that august body will gladly enroll themselves as volunteers in error to all beholders with Cannon in command.—Fredericksburg Journal.

Governor Hadley is to feel the sting of ingratitude. The Bull Moose has forgotten what Hadley did for him at Chicago.—Free Lance.

The Bull Moose is expected to come to Virginia to organize his force. Well, he had better begin the program by giving a swell dinner, similar to that in New York. Invite a mixture and devote his time in discussing woman suffrage with the colored guests.—South Boston News.

Why should Roosevelt come South? The negroes are "asin" him and

to a hoghead and not require the pressure of the screw to allow of the putting on of the top.—Farmville Herald.

If President Taft should be so unfortunate as to land in third place in the home stretch he would join the ranks of those who have a longing for the good old days.—Clifton Forge Review.

It was reported in one of the Staunton newspapers that a view of the opposition was in circulation claiming that ex-Congressman J. M. Quarles, of Staunton, to announce himself an independent candidate for Congress in the next district. Another report is to the effect that Mr. Hugh A. White, of Lexington, is being urged to make the race as an independent. We have no doubt that one of these gentlemen will enter the race. It is to be hoped that there will be no opposition this year it will come from the Republicans and the G. O. P. are so badly split that there is little likelihood of their nominating a candidate. Mr. Flood was elected two years ago without opposition in any party and we look for history to repeat itself.—Clifton Forge Review.

France proposes to eliminate the bill-board by the taxation route. Under the scheme, in view that over three boards less than six meters in length

will be taxed \$10 a square meter, twenty meters, \$40, and all above that size, \$80. In this rate a signboard twenty-five meters long and three meters high would have to cost \$2,000 a year. In this rate such a prohibitive tax the billboard would have to go, and it ought to. It is anything but creditable to the average citizen of this country that no steps have been or are being taken to compel the disappearance of this blot on the human eye of nature and offense to the human eye—Virginia Pilot.

We are glad to not a news item to the effect that Hon. Joseph E. W.illard has come across with a check in four figures for the National Democratic "Equal Rights" fund. We spare it and it is entirely creditable to him that he should contribute so generously when he is, for the time being, in the United States, without showing no signs of wishing to break in any time soon. We hope many of our friends will follow his example.—Alexandria News.

## LEGLESS BOY CAN SWIM AND WRESTLE

Despite his affliction he is now in the seventh grade in the Hackett School, and is popular with all his

At the bathhouse Parvis soon had him doing stunts on a bench. After his first lesson as to the proper use of his arms he was able to learn to dive. Parvis gave him four lessons a week, and he has mastered several of the strokes. He can swim at least half a mile without changing his arm movement. Parvis has a diving platform constructed for a boy and he can dive from this at a height of six feet.

**HELD BURGLAR UNTIL  
OFFICER ARRIVED**

BRISTOL, V.A., Aug. 26.—James A. Warren, a young business man, captured a burglar in his home last night. He held the man with his hands until the arrival of an officer. The prisoner gave his name as Robert Glover. He was bound over.

**His Fond Hope.**

Little William, son of an automobile enthusiast, lost a tooth in a fall from his sled.

His mother told him that she would have to take him to the dentist, were

"Oh, no, mother," said Willie; "let's wait till spring. Maybe Dr. Guy will have a new model ready for us by that time."—Harper's Bazar.

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**When His Ears Burned.**

"What's your opinion of Scribbler?"

"I think one of Kipling's titles about sizes him up, 'The Light That Failed.'"

"Huh! Part of one of Wagon

worth's lines does it better in my opinion. 'The Light That Never Was.'

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